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Free Talk

New Year Resolution 新年目标/决心

Transcript 成绩单

APS 审核 (简单科普了一下)

Lesson learned 涨教训了

Stain / dark past 黑历史/污点

Train attendant 列车乘务员

abruptly 突然地/唐突地

IELTS LISTENING PART 1

Write **ONE WORD AND/OR A NUMBER** for each answer.

Hinchingsbrooke Country Park

The park

Area: 1 **69** hectares

Habitats: wetland, grassland and woodland

Wetland: lakes, ponds and a 2 **stream**

Wildlife includes birds, insects and animals

Subjects studied in educational visits include

Science: Children look at 3 **data** about plants, etc.

Geography: includes learning to use a 4 **map** and compass

History: changes in land use

Leisure and tourism: mostly concentrates on the park's 5 **visitors**

Music: Children make 6 **sounds** with natural materials, and experiment with rhythm and speed.

Benefits of outdoor educational visits

They give children a feeling of 7 **freedom** that they may not have elsewhere.

Children learn new 8 **skills** and gain self-confidence.

Practical issues

Cost per child: 9 £ **4.95**

Adults, such as 10 **leaders** , free

Homework Analysis - Writing:

Report on the Famous Singer's Talk

A famous singer recently visited ^{ed} our school and ^{gave} a talk about her life and work. In my opinion, it's ^{it was} an inspiring event.

On the positive side, the singer's talk was truly motivational. She shared many personal stories, especially emphasizing that with enough hard work, anything is possible. This speech deeply ^{tense?} inspired us and ^{should be a NOUN!} give us courage and motivation to chase our dreams. Her real-life ^{no blank} examples made the talk vivid and convincing.

However, there were some negatives. ^{what?} The talk seemed to end too ^{ADV.} quick and busy. ^{what do you mean? abruptly?} Some students were left with many questions that they didn't have the chance to ask. It ^{seemed that} felt like the singer could have explained more on some important points, such as how she overcame specific challenges in her career.

In conclusion, although the famous singer's talk had some small issues, it was still a valuable experience. I hope that in future talks, speakers can manage their time better, allowing for a more comprehensive and in-depth sharing of knowledge and experience. ^{In this way / By doing so} This way, students can gain more from such events. ^{no blank}

Word Count: 174

第一段:

1 -> it's a inspiring -> it was an inspiring

第二段:

1 -> inspired and give us... -> inspired and gave us ...

2 -> courage 对的!! I apologize!! (老师批改的时候看成了“encourage”，不要像

老师一样粗心 :())

第三段:

1 -> ... seemed to end too quick and busy -> quickly and abruptly (突然地)

2 -> didn't -> did not

3 -> It felt like ... -> It seemed that

第四段:

1 -> This way -> In this way / By doing so...

Translation

1. Many cities have become overcrowded due to rapid population growth, which affects people's quality of life.
2. In order to adapt to the new environment, people need to change their lifestyles, including eating habits and daily routines.
3. Due to a lack of protection, many wild animals are facing survival threats and their numbers are constantly decreasing.
4. If a person is allergic to a certain food, consuming that food may cause physical discomfort or even more serious problems.
5. Regular exercise is not only good for physical health but also has a positive impact on mental state.
6. When resources are scarce, people need to find new solutions to meet basic living needs.
7. Improper waste disposal can cause serious damage to the environment, which requires us to take measures to clean up and improve it.

Proofreading

1. was 多余
2. ☒ X
3. followed ☐ follow
4. feeling ☐ feel
5. which ☐ whose
6. ☒
7. telling ☐ tell or cutting ☐ cut
8. ☒ X
9. more 多余
10. ☒

2 -> a day -> the day (特指“那天”)

8 -> patience, adaptability, and being willing to try new things -> willingness to try

new things.

Patience、adaptability 都是名词，所以用“and”并列的“willing”也要改成名词

Collocation (Science & Technology)

1. be the key **to** -的关键

*answer key 答案

2. cannot do without - 不能没有

3. conduct research on - 对.....进行研究

4. **cut** off spam - **阻止**垃圾邮件

*cut -> V. 剪 / 减少

My doctor advised me to **cut** my sugar intake for better health.

5. **cutting-edge** technology - **尖端**科技

*leading-edge / advanced

补充：欠发达/发展中/发达国家/地区

underdeveloped/developing/developed country/area

6. enhance the quality of life - 提高生活质量

7. explore outer space - 探索外太空

8. expose someone to something - 使某人面临某事

*Increasing your exposure to the English language.

enhance/increase your **language exposure** **语言环境的接触**

9. **gain** access to information - **获得**信息

*gain vs. get

gain -> 通过努力、奋斗或者逐渐积累得来

get -> 直接、更普遍，不包含“努力”

(在 personal statement 个人陈述中，用“gain”和“get”是很不一样的感觉)

10. handle something improperly - 某事处理得不恰当

*和“人”以及“时间”有关的名词+ly，变形容词

Friend -> Friendly: The staff at the hotel were extremely friendly and welcoming.

Time -> Timely: Her timely advice saved us from making a costly mistake.

Brother -> Brotherly: Despite their arguments, he always felt a brotherly responsibility to look after his siblings.

11. keep in touch with - 与.....保持联系

12. make a difference - 有影响, 起作用

13. make a long-distance call - 打长途电话

14. make an adjustment - 调整

*When I could not return to my homeland, my mom brought all of Beijing to me.

(Can you feel a deep appreciation for the mother in this sentence??)

15. make an **in-depth** analysis of - 深入分析.....

16. make progress - 进步

17. shorten the distance - 缩短距离

*形容词变动词 -> 添加后缀 -en

Wide -> Widen ("to make wider")

Bright -> Brighten ("to make brighter")

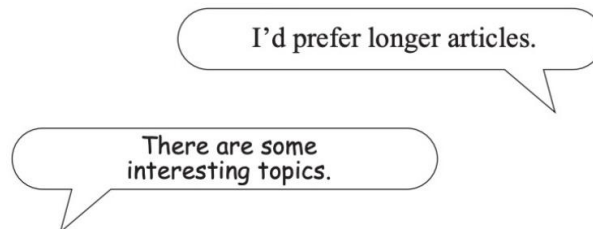
Strong -> Strengthen ("to make stronger")

18. stay up to date with ... - 紧跟.....潮流

New Writing Task - In-class Practising

You recently bought a copy of a new magazine which is aimed at teenagers. You decide to review the magazine, and you will post the review on your school website.

Here are some comments about the magazine from your friends:



Now write a review of the new magazine.

The comments above may give you some ideas, and you can also use some ideas of your own.

Your review should be between 150 and 200 words long.

You will receive up to 8 marks for the content of your review, and up to 8 marks for the language used.

Review of the New Magazine

Paragraph 1:

Recently, I bought (-> purchased) a new magazine aim (-> targeted) at teenagers, and I am writing this review for the school website to let others know more about it (-> share my thoughts and help others learn more about it).

Paragraph 2:

The magazine has its appealing aspects. There are some interesting topics in this magazine, which students are interested in (这么多 interesting/interested?? -> capture students' attention), such as nature,

fashion, and stars (-> celebrities 明星). It can broaden their horizons...

(-> These topics not only broaden their horizons and balance their studies and personal interests, but also develop their writing and speaking skills by providing ideas, thoughts, and opinion for writing task and assignments.)

Paragraph 3:

However, this magazine is not perfect (-> not without its flaws). I hope the articles could be longer because most of them seem too short, which matches (-> aligns) the current trend of watching short videos on social media. It will affect students' ability to think themselves (-> independently) and deeply/critically.

Paragraph 4:

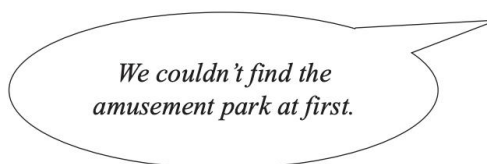
Overall, this magazine is worth reading, because it provides interesting topics that attract readers but if it improves (-> ... attract readers. With some improvements), it will become a more popular reading material for teenagers.

1 -> Writing Task

- 14 You and your friends recently visited an amusement park where people can do lots of different outdoor activities.

You have decided to write a review about it for your school magazine.

Here are two comments from your friends:



Write a review for your school magazine, giving your views.

The comments above may give you some ideas, and you can also use some ideas of your own.

Your review should be between 150 and 200 words long.

You will receive up to 8 marks for the content of your review, and up to 8 marks for the language used.

2 -> Translation

用 Page5-6 的故固定搭配

1. 对尖端科技的持续研究不仅能够提高生活质量，还能够解决许多全球性的环境问题。
2. 为了让项目取得突破性进展，我们需要对所有相关数据进行详细而深入的分析。
3. 即使是一个简单的调整，也可能对整个实验结果产生重大影响，这一点不可忽视。
4. 开发新的过滤系统可以帮助用户更高效地阻止垃圾邮件，从而节省时间和精力。
5. 尽管他在早期阶段遇到了许多障碍，但通过不懈努力，他终于在探索外太空的项目中取得了显著进步。
6. 随着国际合作的日益加深，保持与不同文化背景的人联系已经成为一个不可或缺的技能。

3 -> Proofreading Exercise: A Challenging Group Discussion

Correct the mistakes in the story below. There is one (OR NO) mistake in each numbered line.

Underline the wrong words and write the correct words above them.

Add a “^” if a word is missing and write the missing word above it.

Cross out the extra words using “X.”

1 When Anna joined her first group discussion in class, she was both excited and a bit nerves.

2 The professor had assigned them a topic about climate change, which everyone needed to contribute their ideas.

3 Her group included students from different countries, and their perspectives on the topic were varied greatly.

4 Anna suggested discussing the impact of renewable energy, but one of her classmates strongly disagreed, saying it wasn't a priority for developing countries.

5 During the debate, Anna tried to present her point of view clearly, but she struggled to explain it under the pressure of the group's reaction.

6 Another student suggested focusing on local solutions, which seemed to make the discussion even more complicated.

7 By the middle of the session, the group was still struggling to reach a consensus because of their opinions were so different.

8 Despite the challenges, Anna realized that listening carefully to others' arguments was more important than trying to immediately prove her own right.

9 She also noticed that her teammates from some cultures preferred a direct communication style, while others were more subtle when expressing themselves.

10 By the end of the discussion, Anna not only gains a deeper understanding of the issue but also improved her skills in working with diverse teams.